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Rep. Hodges announces meeting of the Comite River Diversion Canal Task Force to discuss protection against future flooding

State Representative Valarie Hodges, R-Denham Springs, has announced the next meeting of the Comite River Diversion Canal (CRDC) Project Task Force to be held Monday, November 6, 2017.

"Until we get the Comite River Diversion Canal completed, the capital region's homes and businesses are in eminent danger of flooding," said Rep. Hodges, Chairwoman of the Task Force.

Discussion at the meeting will begin with a presentation from the Department of Transportation and Development regarding the project's impact on preventing flooding. Also presenting at the meeting will be representatives from the Amite River Basin Commission, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Ascension Parish, East Baton Rouge Parish, and Livingston Parish. A Congressional Designee will also be in attendance.

Rep. Hodges went on to say, "We invite the public to attend this meeting of the Comite River Diversion Canal Project Task Force so that they may be updated on projects affecting their areas. We welcome questions and comments to facilitate in our discussions of this project which is so necessary to prevent such disasters as the historic flood of 2016."

The next meeting of the CRDC Task Force will be held Monday, November 6, 2017, in Committee room 6 of the State Capitol. The meeting will begin at 1:00 pm.

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